GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4515
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2001
VISIT OF DIPLOMATS TO KASHMIR
MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a)the number of foreign diplomats who visited Kashmir since January 1, 2001 and the purpose thereof;

(b) whether the Government had prior information of their visits;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a)-(d) Government are aware of visits by foreign diplomats stationed in India, to the State of Jammu & Kashmir and other parts of India, as part of their diplomatic functions.